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REQUEST FOR A ONE (1) MONTH EXTENSION

Sir:

With reference to the Office Action dated September 17, 2009, the Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of the response term. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400 in the amount of \$65, to cover the fee for this one (1) month extension, or any required fees in excess of the amount submitted, or credit any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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